

ABSTRACT

An external operating unit for a commercially available mobile radio telephone is proposed, in which the operating unit (1) is constructed separately from the mobile radio telephone (2) and can be connected to the mobile radio telephone (2). A first set of standardized functions for mobile radio telephones is stored in the operating unit (1). This first set of standardized functions contains at least the functions for setting up a fixed data link and for transmitting an identity attribute of the mobile radio telephone. So that the operating unit can also be used with new mobile radio devices, it is provided that a library containing a second set of specialized functions of the mobile radio telephone can be loaded into the operating unit (1) and can be stored in a memory module (4) of the operating unit (1). The operating unit has, in particular, a control module (3) containing a WAP browser, the library with the specialized functions of the mobile radio telephone (2) being loaded into the operating unit (1) via a mobile radio link to an Internet provider. This ensures complete operability via the external operating unit (1) also in the case of new mobile radio telephone types.